

which was filed on September 12, 1995, and assigned to the United States of America as represented by the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Written objections to the prospective grant of a license should be sent to Mr. George F. Helfrich, Patent Counsel, NASA Langley Research Center.

DATES: Responses to this Notice must be received by February 5, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. George F. Helfrich, Patent Counsel, NASA Langley Research Center, Mail Code 212, Hampton, VA 23681-0001; telephone (804) 864-3521.

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Edward A. Frankle,

General Counsel.

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NATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

Media Arts Teleconference

Pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463), as amended, notice is hereby given that a teleconference of the Media Arts Advisory Panel (American Film Institute Section) to the National Council on the Arts will occur on January 4, 1996 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Nancy Hanks Center, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20506.

This teleconference is for the purpose of application evaluation, under the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965, as amended, including discussion of information given in confidence to the Agency by grant applicants. In accordance with the determination of the Chairman of June 22, 1995, these sessions will be closed to the public pursuant to subsections (c)(4), (6) and (9)(B) of section 552b of Title 5, United States Code.

Further information with reference to this meeting can be obtained from Ms. Yvonne Sabine, Committee Management Officer, National Endowment for the Arts, Washington, D.C. 20506, or call (202) 682-5433.

Dated: November 29, 1995.

Yvonne M. Sabine,

Director, Council & Panel Operations, National Endowment for the Arts.

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Museum Advisory Meeting

Pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463), as amended, notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Museum Advisory Panel (Special Exhibitions Section B) to the National Council on the Arts will be held January 8-11, 1996, from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on January 8-10 and from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on January 11, 1996. This meeting will be held in Room 716, at the Nancy Hanks Center, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20506.

Portions of this meeting will be open to the public from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. on January 8, for opening remarks and panel instructions and on January 11, from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. for a policy discussion.

The remaining portions of this meeting from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on January 8; from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on January 9 and 10; and from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on January 11, are for the purpose of Panel review, discussion, evaluation, and recommendation on applications for financial assistance under the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965, as amended, including information given in confidence to the agency by grant applicants. In accordance with the determination of the Chairman of June 22, 1995, these sessions will be closed to the public pursuant to subsection (c)(4), (6) and (9)(B) of section 552b of Title 5, United States Code.

Any person may observe meetings, or portions thereof, of advisory panels which are open to the public, and may be permitted to participate in the panel's discussions at the discretion of the panel chairman and with the approval of the full-time Federal employee in attendance.

If you need special accommodations due to a disability, please contact the Office of AccessAbility, National Endowment for the Arts, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20506, 202/682-5532, TDY-TDD 202/682-5496, at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting.

Further information with reference to this meeting can be obtained from Ms. Yvonne Sabine, Committee Management Officer, National Endowment for the Arts, Washington, D.C., 20506, or call 202/682-5433.

Dated: November 29, 1995.

Yvonne M. Sabine,

Director, Office of Council and Panel Operations, National Endowment for the Arts.

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Arts in Education Advisory Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463), as amended, notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Arts in Education Advisory Panel (Partnership Grants Section) to the National Council on the Arts will be held on January 10-12, 1996. The panel will meet from 11:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on January 10; from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on January 11; and from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on January 12. This meeting will be held in Room 714, at the Nancy Hanks Center, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., 20506.

Portions of this meeting will be open to the public from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on January 10 for welcome, introductions and orientation and from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on January 12 for a guidelines discussion.

The remaining portions of this meeting from 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. on January 10; from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on January 11; and from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., are for the purpose of Panel review, discussion, evaluation, and recommendation on applications for financial assistance under the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965, as amended, including information given in confidence to the agency by grant applicants. In accordance with the determination of the Chairman of June 22, 1995, these sessions will be closed to the public pursuant to subsection (c)(4), (6) and (9)(B) of section 552b of Title 5, United States Code.

Any person may observe meetings, or portions thereof, of advisory panels which are open to the public, and may be permitted to participate in the panel's discussions at the discretion of the panel chairman and with the approval of the full-time Federal employee in attendance.

If you need special accommodations due to a disability, please contact the Office of Access Ability, National Endowment for the Arts, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20506, 202/682-5532, TDY-TDD 202/682-5496, at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting.

Further information with reference to this meeting can be obtained from Ms. Yvonne Sabine, Committee Management Officer, National Endowment for the Arts, Washington, D.C., 20506, or call 202/682-5433.

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Yvonne M. Sabine,

Director, Office of Council and Panel Operations, National Endowment for the Arts.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-317]

**Baltimore Gas and Electric Company
(Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant Unit
No. 1); Exemption****I.**

Baltimore Gas and Electric Company (BGE or the licensee) is the holder of Facility Operating License No. DPR-53, which authorizes operation of Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant, Unit 1 (the facility/CC-1), at a steady-state reactor power level not in excess of 2700 megawatts thermal. The facility is a pressurized water reactor located at the licensee's site in Calvert County, Maryland. The license provides among other things, that it is subject to all rules, regulations, and orders of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission or NRC) now or hereafter in effect.

II.

By letter dated July 13, 1995, the licensee requested a temporary exemption to 10 CFR 50.44, 10 CFR 50.46, and Appendix K to 10 CFR Part 50 that would enable the use of four lead fuel assemblies during CC-1 Cycles 13, 14, and 15. These regulations refer to pressurized water reactors fueled with uranium oxide pellets within cylindrical zircaloy or ZIRLO cladding. The four lead fuel assemblies to be used during these fuel cycles contain fuel rods with zirconium-based claddings that are not chemically identical to zircaloy or ZIRLO.

Since 10 CFR 50.46 and Appendix K to 10 CFR Part 50 identify requirements for calculating emergency core cooling system (ECCS) performance for reactors containing fuel with zircaloy or ZIRLO cladding, and 10 CFR 50.44 relates to the generation of hydrogen gas from a metal-water reaction between the reactor coolant and reactor fuel having zircaloy or ZIRLO cladding, a temporary exemption is required to place the four lead fuel assemblies containing fuel rods with advanced zirconium based cladding in the core during CC-1 Cycles 13, 14, and 15.

III.

Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations at 50.12(a)(2)(ii) enables the Commission to grant an exemption from the requirements of Part 50 when special circumstances are present such that application of the regulation in the particular circumstances would not serve the underlying purpose of the rule, or is not necessary to achieve the

underlying purpose of the rule. The underlying purpose of 10 CFR 50.46 and 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix K is to establish requirements for the calculation of ECCS performance in order to assure reactor safety in the event of a loss of coolant accident. The licensee has performed a calculation demonstrating adequate ECCS performance for CC-1 and has shown that the four lead fuel assemblies do not have a significant impact on that previous calculation. The lead fuel assemblies, with the zirconium-based alloy cladding, meet the same design basis as the Zircaloy-4 fuel which is currently in the CC-1 reactor core and have similar thermal-hydraulic characteristics. No safety limits will be changed or setpoints altered as a result of using the lead fuel assemblies.

The Updated Final Safety Analysis Report (UFSAR) analysis are bounding for the lead fuel assemblies as well as the remainder of the core. The mechanical properties and behavior of the lead fuel assemblies during postulated loss-of-coolant accidents (LOCA) and non-LOCA transients and operational transients will be essentially the same. In addition, the four lead fuel assemblies represent a small portion of the total core and will be placed in non-limiting core locations which experience no more than 0.95 of the core power density during operation. As such, the licensee has achieved the underlying purpose of 10 CFR 50.46 and 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix K.

The underlying purpose of 10 CFR 50.44 is to ensure that means are provided for the control of hydrogen gas that may be generated following a postulated LOCA. The licensee has provided means for controlling hydrogen gas and has previously considered the potential for hydrogen gas generation stemming from a metal-water reaction. The small number of fuel rods in the four lead fuel assemblies containing advanced zirconium-based claddings in conjunction with the chemical similarity of the advanced claddings to zircaloy and ZIRLO ensures that previous calculations of hydrogen production resulting from a metal-water reaction would not be significantly changed. As such, the licensee has achieved the underlying purpose of 10 CFR 50.44.

In addition to the above, the advanced claddings have been tested for corrosion resistance, tensile and burst strength, and creep characteristics. The test results indicate that the advanced claddings are safe for reactor service under all the anticipated operating conditions considered in the CC-1 UFSAR.

IV.

For the foregoing reasons, the NRC staff has concluded that the use of the four lead fuel assemblies in the CC-1 reactor during Cycles 13, 14, and 15 will not present an undue risk to public health and safety and is consistent with the common defense and security. The NRC staff has determined that there are special circumstances present as specified in 10 CFR 50.12(a)(2)(ii) such that the application of 10 CFR 50.44, 10 CFR 50.46, and Appendix K to 10 CFR Part 50 to explicitly consider the advanced clad fuel rods present within the four lead fuel assemblies is not necessary in order to achieve the underlying purpose of these regulations.

Accordingly, the Commission has determined that pursuant to 10 CFR 50.12, a temporary exemption is authorized by law and will not endanger life or property or common defense and security and is otherwise in the public interest, and hereby grants BGE a temporary exemption from the requirements of 10 CFR 50.44, 10 CFR 50.46, and Appendix K to 10 CFR Part 50 in that explicit consideration of the advanced zirconium-based clad fuel present within the four lead fuel assemblies is not required in order to be in compliance with these regulations. This exemption applies only to the four lead fuel assemblies for the time period (Cycles 13, 14, and 15) for which these assemblies will be in the CC-1 reactor core.

Pursuant to 10 CFR 51.32, the Commission has determined that the granting of this exemption will have no significant impact on the quality of the human environment (60 FR 56622).

This exemption is effective upon issuance.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 28th day of November 1995.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.
Steven A. Varga,
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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.*

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[Docket No. 50-325/324]

**Carolina Power and Light Company;
Brunswick Nuclear Plant;
Environmental Assessment and
Finding of No Significant Impact**

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering the issuance of an exemption pursuant to 10 CFR 55.11 from certain requirements of its regulations to an applicant for a Senior Reactor Operator License (applicant) at